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SUBJECT: GOJ APPROACH ON KOREAN QUESTION AT UN

1. ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM TOKYO, AMBASSADOR TOGO TODAY RAISED PRIVATELY WITH HABIB THE KOREAN QUESTION AT THE UN.
2. ACCORDING TO TOGO, THE GOJ IS PREPARED TO GO ALONG WITH DRAFT EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM AND DRAFT RESOLUTION ON KOREAN QUESTION WHICH HAS BEEN WORKED OUT IN CORE GROUP. FURTHER, GOJ WOULD BE WILLING TO CO-SPONSOR AND WITH OTHER CORE GROUP MEMBERS SEEK PRIORITY AT TIME DETERMINED IN CORE GROUP CONSULTATIONS.
3. HE INDICATED, HOWEVER, THAT FONMIN MIYAZAWA WANTED TO BE SURE THAT CORE GROUP APPROACH IS ACCEPTABLE TO USG AND

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TO SECRETARY.

4. HABIB TOLD TOGO THAT WE WOULD POSSIBLY EXPECT FURTHER WORD CHANGES IN DRAFT RESOLUTION. HOWEVER IN GENERAL TERMS BOTH RESOLUTION AND EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM WERE ACCEPTABLE TO US AND REFLECT THE SECRETARY'S POLICY AND APPROACH OUTLINED IN HIS JULY 22 SEATTLE SPEECH. ON QUESTION OF PRIORITY HABIB SAID WE THOUGHT THIS WAS MATTER TO BE DECIDED TACTICALLY IN CORE GROUP. HE NOTED THAT OUR OVERALL APPROACH HAS BEEN TO STRESS OUR DESIRE TO AVOTD CONFRONTATION, WHILE RESERVING THE MOVE TO A RESOLUTION WITH PRIORITY TO SUCH TIME AS THE CORE GROUP BELIEVES IT DESIRABLE. AT SAME TIME, WE BELIEVE THAT NONALIGNED SUMMIT MEETING NEXT WEEK WILL BE BENCH-MARK, AFTER WHICH WE MIGHT WELL HAVE TO MOVE TO EARLY DECISION TO SEEK PRIORITY IF, AS WE EXPECT, NORTH KOREA'S POSITION IS ENDORSED AT COLOMBO.

5. IN CLOSING, HABIB ASSURED TOGO THAT GOJ VIEWS AND MIYAZAWA'S PERSONAL INTEREST WOULD BE CALLED TO SECRETARY'S ATTENTION. ROBINSON

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